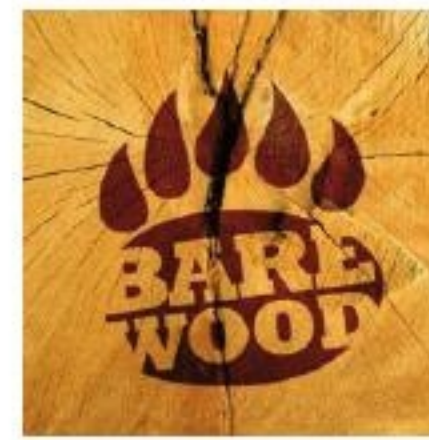


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TRAGIC ACCIDENT



• (Left to right) Grandparents Mervyn and Dorothy Bell, mother Judith, sister Eloise, father Lea Perry, grandmother Jacky Perry and family friend Darran Brown and (inset) Freddie Perry

TEN-YEAR-OLD Freddie Perry ran into the road before he was hit by a car driven by a teacher at his sister's school, an inquest heard yesterday.

The boy was playing with a friend on a grassy area near his home in Oxford Crescent, Didcot, when he ran into the road between a van and a people carrier on September 10, Oxfordshire Coroner's Court heard.

Freddie died from head injuries at the John Radcliffe Hospital in Headington the next day.

Grieving parents Lea and Judith Perry said they feel no anger towards Didcot

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Girls' School teacher Joanne Napper, because the incident on September 10 last year was a tragic accident.

Mr Perry said: "It's what we expected, it was an accident.

"We don't feel angry at all to the lady driving, she has a lot to deal with.

"It's hell, but nothing can bring him back."

Evidence from Freddie's friend, who cannot be named for legal reasons, said

the 10-year-old was on the phone when he ran into the road.

Freddie, who was a year six pupil at Stephen Freeman Community Primary School, was hit by the Nissan Micra driving towards Wantage Road.

Forensic collision investigator Andrew Evans said Freddie's vision would have been obscured by the van, while Ms Napper, who was travelling "in the range of 20mph" would have only had half a second to react.

"There was nothing the driver could do to avoid this collision," he said.

A cause of death was given as cerebral

edema, as a result of a head injury.

Oxfordshire Coroner Darren Salter gave a verdict of accidental death. He said: "Speed is something that is often upper most in the mind when it comes to a collision of this nature.

"Although on this particular occasion, the general consensus is that Ms Napper was not speeding and travelling at around 20mph.

"There was really nothing she could have done to avoid the collision."

Freddie's parents, sister Eloise, 11, grandparents Jacky Perry, Dorothy Bell and Mervyn Bell and family friend

Darran Brown were at the inquest into his death yesterday.

Mr Perry added: "Freddie was amazing, he was an inspiration.

"He doted on both of his sisters, Eloise and Rhiannon, who has Down's Syndrome. Freddie used to say his job was to look after his sisters.

"Freddie was quiet and a mummy's boy and very intelligent, he was always reading. He would teach the class about Harry Potter.

"The week he died he came home and he was star pupil. He finished on a good one. Bless him."

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Designs unveiled for new Parkway

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DESIGNS for the first railway station to be built in Oxford for 79 years have been revealed.

Oxford Parkway is expected to open in 2015 as part of Chiltern Railways' plan to link the city with London Marylebone.

The new station will be built at Water Eaton, adjacent to the existing Park & Ride site, offering services to London in just under an hour.

Rob Brighthouse, managing director at Chiltern Railways says it "will transform travel between Oxford and London".

He continued: "Our new station and service will provide significant economic, social and environmental benefits for people in Oxfordshire."

Chiltern Railways is working in partnership with Network Rail to deliver the £130million project.

Oxfordshire County Council leader Ian Hudspeth believes Oxford Parkway will change



• How the new station could look

transport movements in the area.

"It's a long time coming and I would have sooner had it earlier but let's be grateful we're getting it," he said.

"It will change the whole dynamic to train movement in Oxfordshire, because at the moment everybody tends to focus on going to Oxford."

"A lot of people from West Oxfordshire and North Oxford will probably go towards the Parkway station, rather than coming into Oxford itself."

Cllr David Nimmo Smith, cabinet member for Environment, which includes transport, echoed these thoughts.

"It's good news for people who want to get to London from say Chipping Norton or Witney, as they don't necessarily have to come into Oxford for trains," he said.

"It means they can get to the Parkway and take the Marylebone line down, which has got to be much easier and much more convenient if you live in that part

of the world."

He continued: "I'm not quite sure how people normally get to Oxford, but say if they drive in and try parking, anything that takes traffic off the roads has got to be of benefit to all around."

Upgrading the Oxford to Bicester line also enables work to begin on the western section of the East West Rail scheme.

This will see the railway through to Milton Keynes and Bedford reinstated for passengers and freight services.

Churches hope to be blessed with sunlight

MORE churches around Oxfordshire are set to have solar panels installed on their roofs.

This is a result of the Diocese of Oxford becoming a member of Low Carbon Oxford.

The Diocesan Church House,

in North Hinksey, has already had solar panels installed on the roof, as have 60 vicarages in the area.

David Mason, director of Glebe and Buildings at the diocese, said: "We are replacing

old boilers with more efficient ones including ground and air source heat pumps where appropriate.

"We have also improved insulation levels in vicarages with replacement or reconditioned

windows and increased loft insulation."

Rt Revd John Pritchard, the Bishop of Oxford, added: "As a diocese we are encouraging our churches to celebrate the wonderful environment we enjoy and work towards a lower carbon future."

"This takes many guises such as making our church buildings more energy efficient, developing new connections with nature based church activities, and working in partnership with many low carbon community initiatives in our communities."

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Items stolen in Faringdon

AN XBOX, HP laptop, a Kindle e-reader and a sum of cash has been stolen from a house in Faringdon, with police appealing for information about the burglary.

Offenders broke into the house in Century Close between 8.45am and 4.40pm on April 16, gaining access to the building through an unsecured rear door.

No description of the offenders is available.

Anyone with information is asked to contact 101.

Sunday drive to Bourton

ABINGDON Works Centre is hosting its annual St George's Day Run through Oxfordshire to Bourton on the Water this Sunday.

The run is open to drivers of any classic car, and drivers are free to take whichever route they wish to make it to the finish at the Cotswold Motoring Museum.

It starts at Lodge Hill from 9.30am, and costs £6 per car to take part. To sign up, contact Pete Davies on 07877 932284 or email p.davies@mgabingdon.org.uk.

Biker hurt in M40 collision

A MOTORCYCLIST was taken to hospital yesterday morning following a collision on the slip road of junction nine of the M40, which led to the closure of the southbound A34.

The accident involved the motorbike, a car and a lorry, with a call being made to police at 9.18am.

There were no arrests made, and the injuries sustained by the motorcyclist were not believed to be life-threatening.

Eight fighting for election in North Hinksey

A TOTAL of eight candidates are vying for resident's votes for three North Hinksey Parish Council positions, taking place today.

Residents are being urged to vote for their candidates from 8am until 10pm at Seacourt Hall in Chapel Way.

The eight candidates are Judith Bolder, Voirrey Carr, Chris Church, John Marriott, Adam Rankin, Emily Smith, Chris Sugden, and Crispin Wilson.

The by-election is being held after councillors Neil Clark, Roy Clark and Zfanna Clark resigned in March.

Chairman of North Hink-

sey Parish Council, Andrew Pritchard, said: "It is all part of the democratic process."

"In one sense it is a very good thing is people exercise their democratic right to vote."

"I joined to try and make the parish a nicer place to live and if possible to counter various projects."

"I would hope that every candidate would wish to improve things - but the powers of the parish council are very limited."

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New £3m centre is set for Blackbird Leys

A £3MILLION technology and innovation centre is set to come to Blackbird Leys, after the Activate Learning Group was awarded a government grant to help pay for a new site.

Government has given a £1million grant to the group, formerly known as Oxford and Cherwell Valley College, in the latest round of the College Capital Investment Fund.

The project will create new buildings and refurbish existing facilities at Blackbird Leys, which have been designed to meet the skills and training needs of local employers.

It will also support training for construction trades by providing improved facilities for emerging green technologies.

Sally Dicketts, chief executive

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of Activate Learning, said: "This project will create a technology and innovation centre located at the heart of the local science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) economy."

"South Oxfordshire is renowned for research, science and technology, with many of the industry-leading employers located within a 10-mile radius of Blackbird Leys."

"The region is targeted for further inward investment, around 100,000 jobs set to be created in the innovation and STEM economy."

"This new centre responds to current and future require-

ments, providing an essential facility to enable local people to gain the skills required for successful employment in this fast-growing sector."

It is hoped that the centre will lead to the creation of 60 new apprenticeship places, and 60 new full-time programme places in engineering and new technologies.

Adrian Lockwood, chair of the Oxfordshire Skills Board, said: "We identified the need for greater investment in STEM skills and training as a regional priority."

"Activate Learning's plan to redevelop their Blackbird Leys facility reflects their willingness to actively address this issue."

"Blackbird Leys is well placed in the city of Oxford and has also



Plans for how Activate Learning's new centre could look

been identified as a spatial priority for growth by the Economic Partnership."

Activate Learning will submit a planning application for the centre later this month, with a view to starting work sometime in the summer. It is hoped that it will be ready to open by September 2015.

Susan to help with heritage funding work

AN ASHMOLEAN Museum director has been appointed to the Heritage Lottery Fund South East England committee, to help make decisions on who the Fund provides grants to.

Susan McCormack will attend her first meeting in her new role in June, where the committee will make decisions on regional applications for funding of between £100,000 and £2million.

The committee is made up of leading figures in the heritage sector across the South East, and will make decisions based on their local knowledge.

"I am delighted to be joining the committee," said Susan. "The Heritage Lottery Fund makes a real difference to the cultural life of the UK, encouraging hundreds of thousands of people to become involved with and celebrate our diverse heritage every year."

"I look forward to working with the committee and with all the organisations across the region to ensure that the Fund is able to support many more successful projects for the future."

Stuart McLeod, head of the Fund for South East England, added: "Susan brings a wealth of experience to what is already a very strong team of decision makers."

"Her wide ranging expertise and strong regional awareness will be of great benefit to the Fund and the heritage of the South East."

French cinema to be shown at festival



FRENCH film festival Rendez-Vous comes to Oxford for the first time this week, with the showcase of contemporary French cinema taking place at the Phoenix Picturehouse.

The festival is now in its fifth year, making its debut in Oxford yesterday and running until April 30.

Films running at the event include 'Quai d'Orsay', a comedy set in the French ministry of Foreign Affairs, and 'Belle

et Sebastien', the story of a six-year-old boy and his dog who foil a Nazi plot.

Oxford is also host to a question and answers session with director Albert Dupontel, taking place next Tuesday with screening of his film '9 Mois Ferme'.

Isabelle Giordano, executive director of UniFrance Films, said: "We're delighted to present a wide selection of the most recent French films for the fifth edition of our festival."

"This year is a great opportunity to show the UK film industry and public the best of French cinema."

"Our priority this year is to present the diversity of our filmmakers with a special programme featuring an exclusive compilation of powerful images from film, music videos and commercials."

"I wish you all an excellent festival, filled with wonderful surprises and good films."

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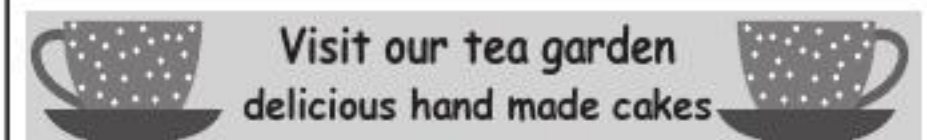
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Supermarket moves closer with planning agreement



MORRISONS have taken a major step towards opening a store in Wallingford, after signing a planning agreement to cover contributions to the town.

The company, which won planning permission last July for a store on Hithcroft Industrial estate, signed a section 106 agreement last week, handing over a minimum of £80,000 on local infrastructure, the environment and local economy. This includes provisions for a bus stop and a pedestrian crossing to serve the store, air quality mitigation measures and cash towards pop-up shop initiatives in the town centre.

A piece of land will also be given to the Cholsey and Wallingford Railway Preservation Society, as well as a contribution of £50,000 towards public art.

Morrisons spokesman Ben Copithorne said: "The section

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106 agreement has now been concluded and signed with the Council and we have now received the formal planning consent.

"There are still a number of steps to complete before we can be specific about the next steps, and we thank shoppers for their patience."

South Oxfordshire District Council proposed two amendments to the bill when granting Morrisons planning permission last year.

The conditions outlined putting £750,000 into extending bus routes past the supermarket, and for the supermarket to be built to BREEAM (Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method)

'excellent' standard.

Wallingford Mayor Cllr Bernard Stone said: "We are now waiting for Morrisons to press the button and say 'right, we'll start moving'."

"They don't have to, but hopefully it will happen fairly soon."

SODC leader Cllr Ann Ducker added: "I think it has got a huge benefit to ease the pain of the other businesses in Wallingford."

"It has been a frustration for everybody and we're just delighted that the permission has been granted and they've signed up to the conditions."

"Now we just hope they get on with it, because that is what the people of Wallingford want."

However, Elaine Hornsby who runs First Edition clothes store in Market Place and spokesman for Wallingford in Business,

fought the planning application last July.

She said: "We fought it, we had all the information to hand about what it does to small towns, but if they want to fly in the face of

all this evidence, I am surprised they are going ahead with it."

"I don't want to be in the position of saying in five or six years time I told you so, but I've got a feeling I might be."

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May Morning

HUNDREDS are expected to flock to Oxford to celebrate May Morning next Thursday.

The annual festivities, which mark the beginning of Spring, start from 6am.

A choir from Magdalen College will sing from 6am at the Great Tower, before bells ring over the city for 20 minutes.

Magdalen Bridge will be open to pedestrians - with barriers stopping people from jumping from it - but closed to traffic from 3am until 9am.

Food waste

OVER the next two years residents living in flats across Oxford will be able to have their food waste collected weekly.

The service, which is already in place for houses, is being rolled out by Oxford City Council.

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a little bit of effort is appreciated."

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Appeal after daytime assault in village street

POLICE are appealing for witnesses after a 16-year-old girl was the victim of a sexual assault in Milton-under-Wychwood last week.

At around 4.40pm on April 17, the girl was walking along Church Road when a man walked past her in the opposite direction, before turning round to follow her.

He then put his arm around the girl and held on to her top, before pushing her against the wall of the church.

After a struggle, the girl managed to free herself and ran off

towards High Street. She was uninjured.

The offender was described as white, about 17-years-old, with short messy dark hair, between 5ft 7in and 5ft 8in tall and of slim to medium build.

He was wearing a luminous green round neck t-shirt, which had light purple shapes detail.

Anyone with information is asked to contact PC Jen Hogben via the Thames Valley Police enquiry centre on 101, or alternatively call Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

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New workshop

OXFORD Brookes University is organising the first-ever walking workshop for tourism academics from across the world, being organised in Nepal from May 2 to 11.

The 10-day workshop will go off track to the rural villages of Bupsa and Bumburi in the Himalayas.

Brookes senior lecturer Roberto Daniele said: "This is about having time to reflect but with action in mind that will lead to meaningful changes to the way lecturers think and teach."

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Carterton fair

A DOG show, go-karts and fun fair are among the activities at Carterton's May Day Fair on May 5.

The fair and car boot sale in Carterton Recreation Ground and Brownes Hall in Alvescot Road is raising money for charity Save the Children.

Entry is free on the day from 11am on the Bank Holiday Monday.

A children's area, animal corner, stalls, and barbeque have also been organised for the day.

House hopes for votes

HELEN and Douglas House could be set to benefit from £5,000 of funding, if the charity receives enough votes by the end of the month.

The hospice is up against two other charities in Nationwide's 'The Big Local' scheme, which allows people to vote for which good cause they think should get the money.

All three charities have already received £200 each.

Jennifer Hudson of Helen and Douglas House said: "We rely on donations to fund 80 per cent of the care we provide for children and young adults with life-shortening conditions."

Frideswide works set to begin this Autumn

COUNTY council leader Ian Hudspeth is warning motorists there will be disruption during the development of Frideswide Square, but it is a case of "no gain without pain".

Work to transform Frideswide Square from a set of traffic lights to roundabouts at either end of the development will begin this Autumn.

The £5.5million scheme is expected to last for 12 months, and Cllr Hudspeth says traffic management will be in place to reduce the impact of the works to a minimum.

"Unfortunately there is no gain without pain," he said.

"We will try and make sure

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we keep the traffic flowing and that will mean we are not able to work as quickly as possible.

"Once the work is done, everyone will be saying 'this is good, this is moving, why didn't we do it sooner'."

"There will be disruption during the development phase so we ask people to consider other ways of getting into Oxford."

"But the main thing is this is work to provide great benefit to the county, not just Oxford, and therefore it's important we get it done as quickly and efficiently

as possible."

Cllr Hudspeth believes the revamp will benefit the attractiveness of the city for those arriving at Oxford Station.

He added: "If you come off the train and look across, it's not exactly what you'd call the dreaming spires, whatever people imagine Oxford to be."

"By having Frideswide with a better layout, moving the traffic lights, making a boulevard atmosphere, it will really give that impact of people saying 'Wow, this is Oxford'."

Work is also set to begin at Oxford Station in 2017 and the Westgate Shopping Centre in 2016.



Hotel celebrates Bollywood

AN OXFORD hotel's inaugural Bollywood charity event has helped to raise just under £1,000 for a special educational needs school.

Guests at the Tree Hotel in Iffley were invited to learn Bollywood moves, watch professional performances and tuck in to an Indian buffet.

Kavita Pal, managing director at the hotel, was delighted to raise £950 for The John Watson School in Wheatley.

"Our first ever Bollywood event was spectacular," she said.

"We were delighted to raise so much money for the wonderful John Watson School to help provide equipment or outings for the special children that attend."

• Dancers Yinka Williams (left) and Olivia Heiser with Kavita Pal, managing director of the Tree Hotel

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Oxford quidditch players chosen to represent UK

QUIDDITCH players from Oxford University will grab their wands and broomsticks for the world games in Canada this summer.

The eight players from the university's Radcliffe Chimeras Quidditch Club were picked for the UK team out of more than 100 who applied.

The magical version of the game was made famous in the Harry Potter books.

By Adam Flinn

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But spell-casting is set aside for the magic-less muggle version, which instead includes elements of rugby, dodgeball and handball in the rules.

Each team has seven players, consisting of three chasers, two beaters, a keeper and seeker, with gameplay confined to an

area roughly the size of an ice hockey pitch.

Three circular goals are placed on either side of the pitch, with all the players required to carry a broom between their legs as they play, to act as a handicap.

Games usually last between 20 and 50 minutes, and the team with the most points at the end are declared the winners.

Ash Cooper is captaining the UK squad of 21, joined by Luke

Twist, James Burnett, Rix Dishington, Matty Murrell, Elisabeth Jørstad, Abby Whiteley and Jan Mikolajczak from the university team.

Ash said: "I'm both incredibly happy and proud. Each and every one of them is an excellent player and fully deserves the position they've earned."

He added: "I know that they will give their all for Team UK and become invaluable team

members both on and off the pitch."

The tournament is due to take place on July 19 at Burnaby Lake Sports Complex West in British Columbia.

The Global Games were first held in Oxford's University Parks in July 2012, contested by the UK, Canada, France, Australia and the USA, with the latter being crowned as the victors.



News Bites

Get playing and fundraise for children's charity NSPCC

THE NSPCC is calling on people across Oxfordshire to take part in 'Bring Back Play' this May, to raise money for the charity's work.

'Bring Back Play' asks people to find a new way to have fun with friends, family and colleagues by playing a mix of games, such as a 24-hour Monopoly marathon, football tournament or a fancy dress day.

Christian Morris, NSPCC regional head of fundraising, said: "We want people to remember how good it felt when they were younger to have the freedom to play, when it was all about friends, fun and laughter."

"The NSPCC uses play therapy to help children recover from neglect and abuse. By playing, they can make sense of what has happened to them, build their confidence and start to trust adults again."

For more information about 'Bring Back Play', go to their website: www.nspcc.org.uk/play.

Police pleased with anti fuel theft operation

AN OPERATION aimed at reducing the number of drivers making off without paying for fuel has been hailed as a success by Thames Valley Police.

Officers set up an automatic number plate recognition (ANPR) camera at the Welcome Break Services at junction 8a of the M40.

Between 10.30am and 12.30pm, the camera picked up 14 positive hits, seven of which were drivers with no insurance and four had no tax.

Officers also conducted high visibility patrols for fuel, while there were no hits from persistent offenders and six people

were issued tickets for no seat belts.

Sgt Steve Hookham said: "This was a successful operation with a good high visibility presence."

"Our neighbour team worked alongside Welcome Break to help reduce drivers making off without paying for fuel."

"It was good opportunity to gather intelligence via the ANPR unit."

"It was also an excellent opportunity to ensure that people were driving safely with up-to-date tax, valid insurance and wearing their seat belts."

News Bites

Horse chalk

OXFORDSHIRE residents and visitors are being invited to help re-chalk the Uffington White Horse on May 4 and 5.

The horse is re-chalked once a year to help keep the famous landmark white, with equipment and advice provided by the National Trust on site.

National Trust ranger Andy Foley said: "This is a great opportunity for people to provide real hands-on help in looking after our local heritage."

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Skate park

A NEW £250,000 skate park for Thame is to be built after the plans were approved last week.

The park, in Tythrop Way, was given planning permission by South Oxfordshire District Council on Wednesday, April 16.

Fundraising events in the town are to be organised over the next year to raise the money needed to build the concrete park.

Unveiling

THE artist behind Didcot's new £85,000 steel sculpture will be officially unveiling her work on Saturday.

Maria Rosa Cramer will be at the Orchard Centre to speak to residents about The Swirl between midday and 2pm.

Mega May

ORGANISATIONS in Oxfordshire have been invited to take part in the 'Mega May Challenge', to compete in sporting activities with other workplaces and win prizes.

It is part of the Workplace Challenge programme led by Oxfordshire Sports Partnership, and will run throughout next month to encourage the business community to lead more active lifestyles.

Easter treat for young patients

By Jack Johnson

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LONDON Welsh stars took a break from the rugby pitch last Thursday as they dropped in at the Children's Hospital to hand out Easter eggs.

James Tideswell, Nathan Vella, James Tincknell and Ollie Stedman, along with ever-popular club mascot Dewi the Dragon, visited Kamran's, Melanie's and the Bellhouse and Drayson wards.

While Dewi stole most of the limelight, the players were more than happy to put a smile on the children's faces.

"It was really good to get out and see some of the kids in the hospital and hopefully just by popping in and giving out a few Easter eggs we put a smile on their faces," said Nathan.

"The Dragon was getting more attention than the players, but it was good fun.

"It's hard for those kids being stuck in hospital all day, and anything we can do to just brighten their day a little bit is good, and the boys really enjoyed it."

Christine Turner, of Oxford University Hospitals NHS



• Mikayla Beames, aged seven, (left) and nine-year-old Daniel Banbridge (right), with (back) James Tideswell, Dewi the Dragon, Nathan Vella, (front) James Tincknell and Ollie Stedman

Trust, added: "It was great to see how excited some of the young patients were.

"Being in hospital can be a stressful time for a child and

having the opportunity to be a part of something a little bit extra special, especially at a time like Easter, can make such a difference to our young

patients. Thank you to all the players and staff at London Welsh for taking the time to visit the hospital and hand out Easter Eggs to all the children."

Changes to services in West Oxon

BUS routes in West Oxfordshire are set to be changed, following the completion of a review in services by the county council.

The council provides subsidies to help run some bus services that would not otherwise be considered, which is reviewed every six years to ensure the funding is used effectively.

As a result, several services will be partially withdrawn, while some stops will be omitted from certain routes.

However, other services will be enhanced, with additional journeys and extensions to routes.

Key service changes from June 1:

- 113: Fullbrook-Burford-Shilton-Carterton-Faringdon (Thurs) — service withdrawn
 - 203: Woodstock Wangerer — extended to serve Water Eaton Park and Ride
 - 233: Witney-Burford-Kingham-Chipping Norton — Sunday service withdrawn
 - 243: Combe-Stonesfield-Leafield-Witney — timetable revised
 - 811: Chipping Norton-Bourton-on-the-Water-Cheltenham — morning journeys withdrawn
 - T1: Charlbury Taxis — service withdrawn
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Unit funding

THE parents of a boy who spent 21 weeks being cared for at the Highfield Unit Oxford have raised over £1,500 for the facility by completing the Bath Half Marathon.

Paul and Sara Woolway raised the money for the inpatient unit that looked after their son, which offers acute mental health care for young people aged 11 to 18.

Dog patrols

CHERWELL dog owners who do not pick up after their pets are being targeted by undercover enforcement officers.

In a bid to catch more offenders, Cherwell District Council has set up an initiative for patrols in the morning and evening.

Brownies

LAST week's Oxfordshire Guardian printed an incorrect date for a Brownies celebratory tea party in Wantage.

The event, which is celebrating 100 years of the Brownies, is taking place on May 17 between 2pm and 4pm at The Beacon, formerly Wantage Civic Hall. Tea, coffee and cake will be served, while you will be able to share memories with Brownies new and old.

Researchers put music under the microscope

THERE are some songs that just make you want to get up and dance, but what is it about certain rhythmic beats that get us grooving?

Oxford University researchers think they may have found part of the answer and have published their findings in the PLOS ONE journal.

Experts at Oxford and the University of Aarhus in Denmark say an ideal balance of rhythmic predictability and complexity explains why James Brown gets most people dancing, whereas they found experimental jazz does not.

Dr Maria Witek carried out the study, along with neuroscientist Morten Kringelbach and professor of music Eric Clarke.

She said: "Many people find themselves unable to resist moving their bodies to the beat of hip-hop, electronic, or funk music, but may feel less desire to dance when listening to a highly syncopated type of music, like free jazz."

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Dr Witek used examples of nursery rhymes, James Brown's best hits, and experimental jazz albums by John Coltrane to understand how the structure of music affects a desire to dance.

"Out of these three, James Brown is the one that will get people on the dance floor," said Dr Witek.

"Twinkle Twinkle is too rhythmically predictable, while the Coltrane is not predictable at all."

"James Brown is a perfect balance between predictability and complexity."

An online survey was also carried out, with over 60 participants, aged between 17 and 63, taking part.

They listened to funk drum breaks with varying degrees of rhythmic complexity and syncopation, and then rated the extent to which the beats made them want to move.

Results showed that the highest ratings were for drum breaks which had little complexity in rhythm.

Dinosaur goes on the rampage in Oxford

OXFORD city centre resembled scenes from Jurassic Park last Thursday, as a dinosaur wandered around Cornmarket Street to meet with shoppers, workers and tourists.

A life-size replica of an Australovenator was met with screams of terror as well as nervous laughter, with crowds gathering round to take plenty of pictures.

The stunt had been organised by the New Theatre, who were promoting Earth's Dinosaur

Zoo, which was showing at the venue from April 17 to 19.

Lindsey Chaplin, from the show, thought the outing had been a success.

She said: "It's been nice for Austra to get out for a bit of fresh air, although there were quite a few meals on wheels opportunities with all the strollers about."

"We've had a really good audience so far, they were lots of fun. The reaction of people is absolutely priceless."

Stephanie Tye from the New Theatre added: "Being able to take theatre out on to the city's streets and seeing people's reaction is fantastic."

"Everyone seemed to love meeting the Australovenator - even if they ran away screaming from him - and we have had a fantastic audience response to the show."

• The Australovenator descends on the streets of Oxford



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Vote expected on flooding compensation

By Adam Flinn

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OXFORD City Council were expected to vote last night on a number of support schemes for households and businesses who were affected by flooding over the winter.

The scheme included offering affected businesses a three-month relief in their rates, while offering grants to cover clean-up costs through the business support scheme.

Homeowners subjected to flooding would be offered a council tax discount, as well as being eligible to claim for up to £5,000 available in repair and renewal grants.

Officers had recommended that the council agree to the measures, but a decision had not been reached as the Journal went to press.

If approved, the council would be fully reimbursed by central government for the cost of business rate relief and repair and renewal grants.

Around £4million has been set aside by government nationally for council tax exemptions, while £10million will be used for the business support scheme.

The government has also announced that almost £35,000 will be made available to Oxford City Council through the severe weather payment, to be used for costs such as road repair.

Cllr Bob Price, leader of the city council, said: "We suffered better than some parts of the country, but for anybody who was affected, it was a very unpleasant experience indeed."

"I think in those circumstances, it



• Binsey Lane was one of several areas in Oxford severely affected by flooding

seems entirely right that they should get compensation from the community to recognise that they've suffered from the failure to deal effectively with the flooding problems in this area.

"The government set aside a certain amount of money, and it is technically possible that if that money is over-subscribed, some element of this will have to come from the city council."

"But we have put to one side a flooding contingency, which we think should cover whatever elements are still left."

Geoff begins work as the head of Britain's largest teachers' union NASUWT

A WITNEY man has become the president of Britain's largest teachers' union.

Geoff Branner, who heads the student achievement service at Banbury Academy, took over as president of the

NASUWT on Good Friday.

Mr Branner, who has previously taught at Carterton Community College and Lord Williams's School in Thame, says he will draw from his previous experiences when taking up the new role.

"They were life-changing events which formed my views on publicly funded education and set me on the path to the role I'm now about to take on," he said.

"I have seen the difference that highly committed teachers and teaching assistants make to the lives of the students they work with, helping those young people to become the authors of their own life-story and make their way with success in the modern world."

He added: "It is a huge honour and privilege to have this opportunity to work on a national stage and in doing so my efforts will go into trying to improve the education system in Oxfordshire and throughout the UK."

• Geoff Branner

News Bites

Bloxham fire

OXFORDSHIRE Fire Service has highlighted the dangers of returning to the scene of a fire after an incident in Bloxham on April 16.

A kitchen fire broke out at a property on Courington Lane and, after taking their young child to a neighbour, the occupant returned to the scene and dealt with the incident.

John Callaway, incident commander, said: "Fires, especially those involving plastics, give off highly toxic smoke which can cause serious breathing difficulties, unconsciousness and even death, remember. Get Out, Get the Fire Brigade Out and Stay Out."

Unbelievable!

SKY Sports football pundit Chris Kamara has invested in Heathfield Park Golf Club in Bletchington.

Mr Kamara will become club professional Geoff Robbins' business partner.

"I look forward to meeting golfers when I am practicing and perfecting my golf swing," he said.

Tennis course

WOMEN in Oxfordshire are being invited to sign up for tennis coaching at Cooper School in Bicester.

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The show begins at 7.30pm, and booking information can be found at www.themillartscentre.co.uk.

Ben Mellor

SLAM champion Ben Mellor takes audiences on a stand-up poetry and music-fuelled tour around the body at the Burton Taylor Studio tomorrow.

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Dreaming away

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Nabucco set for Oxford

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The traditionally-staged production tells a tale of revenge, destruction and jealousy, featuring a variety of elaborate sets and costumes.

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tomorrow's show, as well as a group of local dancers.

Nabucco was Ellen's first foray into opera back in 1993 with an open-air performance to 7,000 people at Rochester Castle, with a cast flown over from Romania in a plane borrowed from the president.

"At my first performance of Nabucco, people sat outside in the pouring rain with the thunder and lightning, then gave it a standing ovation. It was such an adventure," she said.

"At one point I did wonder, as I stood on the runway as the plane landed and rolled to a halt not far from my feet with 200 Romanian artists looking out of the window, what on earth I was doing.

"But by the end I knew, that was it. Opera was for me.

"It was a massive occasion. Nabucco is a political opera about people fighting for their freedom.

"It was written as a gesture, a cry for freedom, to show that people should be free and able to do their own thing in life."

Nabucco is currently on a 75-date tour, and is sung in Italian with English subtitles.

The show begins at 7.30pm, and tickets start from £17.90. For more information or to book, call the box office on 0844 871 3020 or visit www.newtheatreoxford.org.uk.



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Things to know

EVERYTHING You Ever Needed To Know Ever is being told at the Didcot Cornerstone on Sunday, in stand-up comedian Tiernan Douieb's new show for adults and children.

Tiernan discusses what the universe is made of, why you can't run with scissors even though hairdressers can wave them in your face, and how the bubbles in fizzy drinks are put there.

The show starts at 2pm.

Charity jazz

THE Rotary Club of Henley-on-Thames are staging a charity concert on Saturday, to raise money for a number of local good causes.

EMC Jazz will be providing the entertainment for the evening, and now includes a full saxophone section to feature a range of different jazz styles. All tickets cost £15 for an 8pm start.

Folk weekend

OXFORD'S Old Fire Station is staging its third annual Folk Weekend starting tomorrow, with acts including Lizbee Stainton, Jackie Oates and O'Hooley and Tidow set to take part.

As well as national names, the weekend also gives local groups the chance to play to a wider audience.

Led Zep's 'best tribute'

INTERNATIONALLY known tribute act Boot Led Zeppelin come to Oxford next week, as they recreate the atmosphere of one of the iconic band's legendary shows.

The group have been performing the hits of Led Zeppelin since 2001, and have toured across Europe and made numerous television appearances dur-

By Adam Flinn

adam@taylornewspapers.co.uk



ing those 13 years together.

In 2010, Boot Led Zeppelin were invited to star in the BBC programme 'I am in a Rock'n'Roll band' hosted by

Jonathan Ross, where they went on to win the best tribute act.

"All the musicians in the band are dedicated to playing the music to a very high standard," said Raff Achour, who takes on the role of Jimmy Page.

"With a full stage production, using authentic instruments and paying great attention to detail, we promise

to deliver our audience the ultimate Led Zeppelin experience.

"This year's new production has been a great success so far. The addition of lasers to create the pyramid effect and setting the gong on fire has gone down extremely well.

"It has made our audience's experience of a Led Zeppelin concert even more real, taking them on a journey back in time for two and a half hours!"

Along with Raff, the group is made up of Luke Ward as Robert Plant, Matheu Martin as John Bonham, while Jevon Beaumont and Steve Watts perform on bass and keyboards as John Paul Jones.

Speaking about what he likes so much about Led Zep's music, Raff added: "It's rich and diverse, with a wide range of influences including Middle Eastern music as well as blues, folk and rock'n'roll.

"From delicate songs like 'Going to California' to grand epics like 'Kashmir', their music is just an absolute joy to perform."

Doors open for the show on May 2 at 6.30pm. For more information, go to www.o2academyoxford.co.uk or call 0844 477 2000.

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Both were among a group of labourers who were convicted for forming a Trade Union in 1834, to fight against a succession of wage cuts inflicted by the local landowner.

It starts at 8pm at the centre.

Marilyn's life

DIDCOT'S Cornerstone theatre is host to The Unremarkable Death of Marilyn Monroe on Saturday, telling the story of her final moments.

The woman behind the icon unravels stories from her life, telling the tale of a woman afflicted with physical and mental conditions that cursed her working and emotional life.

Banksy's work

GARY Beadle tells the story of Tachowa Covington, who lived in an old water tank that graffiti artist Banksy painted 'This Looks A Bit Like An Elephant' on the side of, at the Burton Taylor Studio on Sunday.

After Banksy had created his work, the tank was taken away to be sold, making Tachowa homeless after living inside it for seven years.

The show begins at 8pm.

Dreamboys back in town

DINERS at an Oxford restaurant were treated to an impromptu performance by The Dreamboys last week, ahead of their visit to the

city's New Theatre this evening.

Cast members Peter Alamu-Carter, Rowan Rowe, Luke Baker and Jack Jefferson visited The Big Bang last

Wednesday, as they prepare for the start of their new tour.

They spent time meeting guests and staff in the kitchen and dining room, in

what made for an interesting lunchtime for diners.

"It's a brand new show and it is full of surprises," said Peter. "We have lots in store, including our new boy Jack."

"If you haven't seen a Dreamboys show before, don't come with any expectations, just come with an open mind and you'll have fun."

Tonight's show is one of the most famous male stripper casts that the UK has ever produced, with the group having made appearances on The X Factor, Britain's Got Talent and The Only Way is Essex.

Their worldwide tours have regularly sold out, and the two-hour show promises to be the perfect girls' night out.

Stephanie Tye of the New Theatre said: "We're delighted to be welcoming The Dreamboys back."

"They are a great group and everyone who meets them is completely charmed by them."

"We're also really grateful to the staff at The Big Bang for letting us take over for a lunchtime. The boys loved tucking into their sausages!"

Tonight's show starts at 7.30pm, and more information is available at www.newtheatreoxford.org.uk.

• The Dreamboys visit The Big Bang ahead of tonight's show



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7 May
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28 May
Cornerstone, Didcot
DIDCOT FILM CLUB: GIGI

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12 Oct
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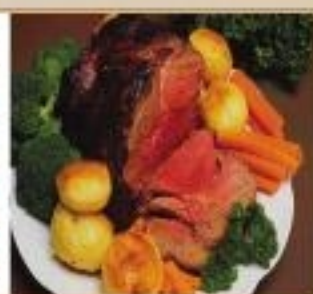
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Two speed crossword

Quick Clues Across

- 1 Piece of cultivated ground (6)
- 7 One who introduces performers (7)
- 8 Clothing (7)
- 9 Weaving frames (5)
- 10 For a period (9)
- 12 Weight (3)
- 13 On top of (4)
- 15 Of or like fire (7)
- 17 English nobleman (4)
- 19 Open fabric (3)
- 21 Those who are present (9)
- 22 Struck an attitude (5)
- 23 Tell (7)
- 24 Contend (7)
- 25 Type of pea (6)

Quick Clues Down

- 1 Joyous (8)
- 2 Meal (6)
- 3 Personal ornament (7)
- 4 Fragrance (5)
- 5 Make good (6)
- 6 Possessive pronoun (4)
- 7 Secret (11)
- 11 Make dirty (4)
- 13 To be accustomed (4)
- 14 Short film about current events (8)
- 16 Deprive of courage (7)
- 18 Take up again (6)
- 20 Occupier (6)
- 21 Increased (5)
- 22 Choose (4)

Cryptic Clues Across

- 1 Cyril's composing songs (6)
- 7 Turns, alas, to spoil the wine (7)
- 8 In time I've come back to turn aside (7)
- 9 Material found in any London store (5)
- 10 Shameless and without make-up (9)
- 12 Before a tune is heard (3)
- 13 Brought up by the baker? (4)
- 15 Progressive loan (7)
- 17 The last thing one does (4)
- 19 Consumed a sound number (3)
- 21 Lessens fashion charges (9)
- 22 The lot, musically (5)
- 23 Act like a snake and cut her (7)
- 24 Against the only comfort? (7)
- 25 Sound sense leads us to a population count (6)

Cryptic Clues Down

- 1 But not a suitable mate for the cock (8)
- 2 French dream concerning respect (6)
- 3 Teased in a corny way (7)
- 4 Mind about the right fashion (5)
- 5 But he is not necessarily a suitor (6)
- 6 Grass skirts are not made from this material (4)
- 7 Archie mends his wares (11)
- 11 Periods found in other Asian cultures (4)
- 13 Wager on a Greek letter (4)
- 14 Courses one abandons about the start of the season (8)
- 16 Take care about the bin - it's explosive (7)
- 18 Get in a muddle at table (6)
- 20 Draws the eagle's head, then the chest, a little roughly (6)
- 21 The younger son sounds destined for the pit (5)
- 22 Zig-zag stitch (4)

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Scribble space

Last week's solutions

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Quick Crossword

Across: 1 Consolation 9 Ale 10 Announcer 11 Enrol
13 Linseed 14 Invade 16 Mystic 18 Torture 19 Realm
20 Ornaments 21 Tin 22 Reading room
Down: 2 Owe 3 Shawl 4 Lonely 5 Truancy 6 Orchestra
7 Malediction 7 Predicament 12 Reverence 15 Drummed
17 Pennon 19 Riser 21 Two

Cryptic Crossword

Across: 1 Copperheads 9 Ice 10 Combative 11 Hides
13 Asunder 14 Novice 16 Depict 18 Wastrel 19 Radar
20 Leavening 21 Woe 22 Destination
Down: 2 Ode 3 Picks 4 Rumbas 5 Erasure 6 Drip-dried
7 Wishing well 8 Secretaries 12 Devastate 15 Correct
17 Albion 19 Right 21 Who

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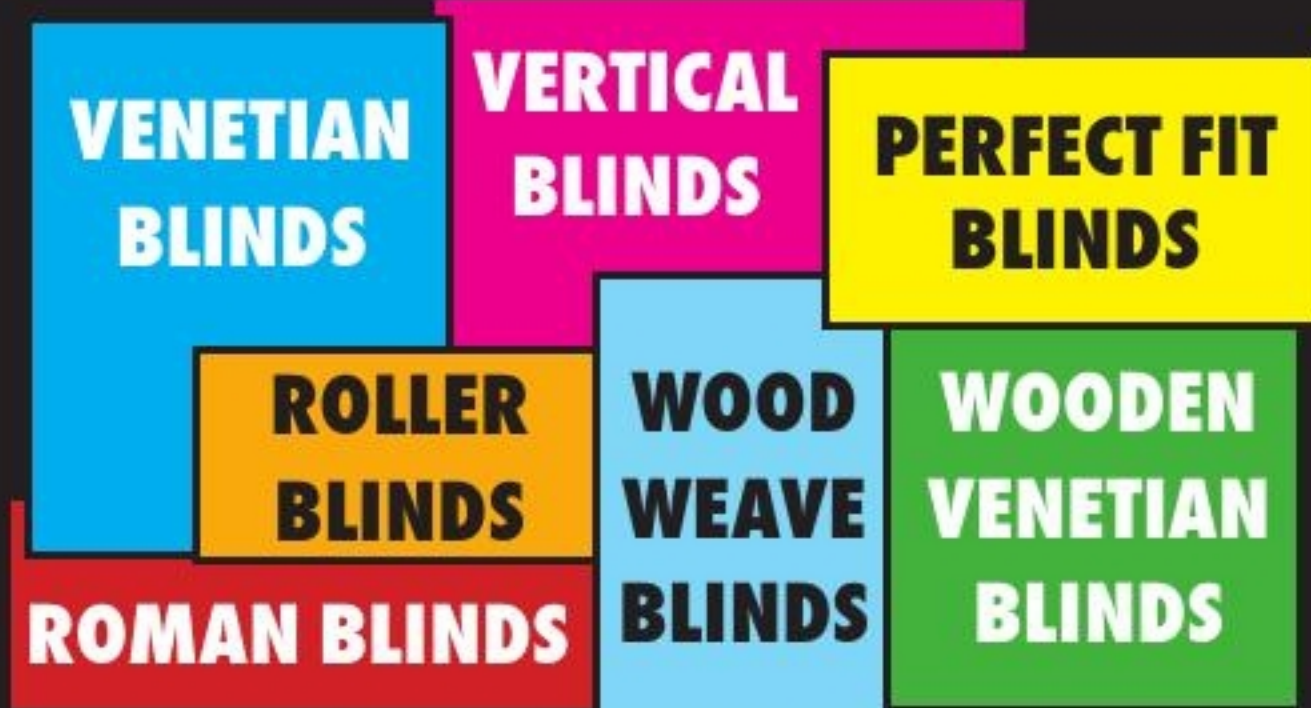
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LEGENDARY prog pioneer Ian Anderson's is back on the road and touring to promote his new studio album *Homo Erraticus* that is out now through his own label imprint Calliandra Records in conjunction with Kscope.

In 1972 Jethro Tull released iconic concept album *Thick As A Brick*, based on a poem by child prodigy Gerald Bostock; in 2012, as fans wondered what happened to Bostock, Ian Anderson explored the different paths his life might have taken in *Thick As A Brick 2*. With *Homo Erraticus* enfant prodigy Gerald is back for real.

Following a 40 year political career, Bostock reunited with Anderson taking the role of tour manager on a string of shows. '*Homo Erraticus*' marks his return to songwriting, and it's based on an unpublished manuscript by amateur historian Ernest T. Parritt (1865-1928).

In *Homo Erraticus* Parritt examines key events of British history with a string of prophecies stretching to the current day and the future; visions

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of past lives caused by the delirium of malaria generate the characters through whose eyes the stories are told.

Ian will be performing the album in its entirety and then following it up with a selection of Tull classics at the New Theatre, Oxford on May 4th and we have 2 pairs of tickets to see the legend in actions.

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Want to save money, reduce waste and do your bit for the environment? Find out why compost has all the answers

REDUCING waste, saving money and doing your bit for the environment are all tempting ideas. But sometimes green schemes like wind turbines and solar panels sound a little daunting.

If you'd like to be a bit 'greener' but don't know where to start, there's an easy answer: composting.

Creating what's known as "black gold" for the garden is the perfect way to reduce waste while turning your kitchen scraps and garden trimmings into a terrific soil enricher.

Compost tends to be made up of green and brown materials. The green waste comprises of things like kitchen scraps, leaves and used coffee grounds, and the

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brown tends to be things which takes longer to decompose, such as dried leaves and shredded newspapers.

Green compost is moist and full of nitrogen and, ideally, your bin should have a nice layered mix of the two kinds, to encourage a healthy fertiliser to develop.

So forget buying those expensive bags of compost from the garden centre, and start turning your kitchen leftovers and lawn cuttings into a fantastic soil enhancer.

Getting started

All you need to start your composting career is a lidded container or makeshift frame. It should ideally be at least 1 metre (3ft) square, otherwise it may be too small to generate enough heat to rot down the mix.

Experts suggest the container should also be easily accessible, have no gaps in the sides and be insulated with cardboard or straw. And, if you can put it in semi-shaded position, or directly on the soil, so much the better.

What can I put in?

Basically anything which has at some point lived will com-

post - but some items are best avoided. Don't attempt to put meat, cooked food, dairy products, cat litter or faeces in there, as these can attract unwanted visitors.

Go for 'green waste' such as fruit and vegetable waste, lawn clippings, egg shells, stale bread, tea bags and leaves, coffee grounds, young weeds; and 'brown' waste which is carbon-rich and slow to rot, such as torn up newspaper, junk mail, cardboard and newspaper.

How does it work?

Once in your compost bin, the dry, woody brown materials and your soft green waste will work together. The woody debris will allow air to circulate through the heap, while the soft waste will provide nitrogen, other plant foods and moisture.

Once your container is full, don't let it dry out or become too wet. A good test is to squeeze a handful and see how much moisture comes out - it should only be a few droplets.

How to add your waste?

To ensure success, you should think about the content of compost like a recipe, making sure that your basic mixture is equally balanced with a mixture of green and brown waste.

Green waste tends to break

down more quickly than brown waste - so use it to activate the composting process. But, remember, you also need that bulky brown waste, which decays more slowly, to add body to the compost.

Experts recommend taking out tough weeds, diseased plants and woody prunings as they can take too long to decompose, and breaking up all bulky stuff before it goes in.

They also suggest alternating your brown and green materials in different layers, to encourage both to break down and rot.

If you are making compost for the first time, turn the new heap after about a week to allow the cooler outer material to enter into the hotter centre, then turn it again two weeks later, after which you should leave it for around six months.

How long will it take?

If you are filling the heap gradually, the material at the bottom of the pile should almost be ready for use by the time the container is filled.

In less than a year, you'll have soft, crumbly fruitcake-like compost to spread as a mulch or add to your soil to improve its fertility. You'll also have the warm fuzzy feeling that comes with doing a good deed - and getting something for nothing.



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French car manufacturer and American make-up company team up for new edition **Special Citroën on the roads**

UNVEILED last month, the new editions of Citroën DS3 have hit the county's roads.

The French car manufacturer teamed up with American cosmetic company Benefit for an unlikely partnership to launch special editions of the car.

Two models of the Citroën have been released with a third to be launched later in the Summer.

The first Citroën DSign was aimed to take inspiration from the make-up company's red lip and cheek gloss, called Benetint.

It is powered by an VTi 82 engine with a manual gearbox and is based on the DSign specification.

The body is finished in ruby red metallic paint with a white roof and door mirrors, dark tinted rear windows, chrome detailing and 17" white alloy wheels.

The styling inside includes a white dashboard, air vent surrounds and gear stick cap; black velour carpet mats with red piping and red Benefit logo, and aluminium pedals. It includes day-time running LED lights, air conditioning

REVIEW: Citroën DS3

By **Philip Shoulder**

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and a connecting box with Bluetooth and USB connectivity. The car aims for luxury feel with Alcantara trim on the sports seats.

Benefit's DS3 DStyle is said to be styled on the make-up company's mascara. It has a sporty VTi 120 manual and is based on the DStyle Plus trim.

The outside is a metallic grey, with an orange roof, door mirrors and wheel centre caps with black 17" alloy wheels and dark tinted rear windows.

Inside, the car has a gloss black dashboard, air vent surrounds and gear stick cap; bespoke black velour carpet mats with orange piping and orange Benefit logo, and aluminium pedals. It also has Alcantara trim on the sports seats.

DS3 DSign and DStyle by Benefit are available from £14,795 and £16,795 respectively. Added Benefit products and a make up bag are designed to fit in the glove box.



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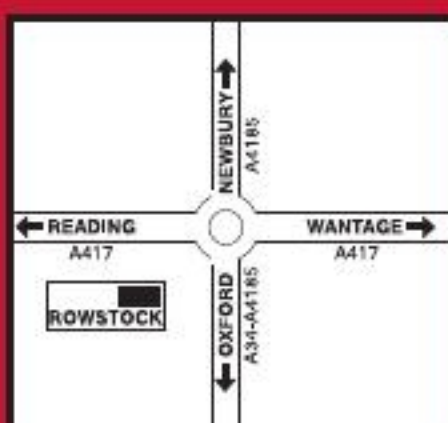
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Mirage range fuel consumption in mpg (lts/100km): Urban 56.5 - 61.4 (5.0 - 4.6), Extra Urban 72.4 - 78.5 (3.9 - 3.6), Combined 65.7 - 68.9 (4.3 - 4.1), CO2 Emissions 100 - 95g/km.

Lodge Hill Drive It Day Sunday 27th April



This year's 'Abingdon Works Centre St. Georges Day Run' in conjunction with the Federation of British Historic Vehicles 'Drive it Day' from Abingdon to The Cotswold Motoring Museum, Bourton on the Water is on Sunday 27th April from 9.30am.

The run will start from The Lodge Hill Garage, Oxford Road, Abingdon, OX14 2JD and meander through Oxfordshire and Gloucestershire following

some picturesque places, finishing in the idyllic village of Bourton on the Water.

Bourton is a tourist magnet and parking is at a premium. After much effort we have secured the finishing point at the Royal British Legion parking area. This car park is only a very short walking distance from the Museum which itself is in the centre of this beautiful Cotswold village.

It is Lodge Hill Garage's 4th anniversary of

providing a venue for local classic car owners to meet on Drive it Day. They have brilliant catering facilities and have a fund for a permanent memorial to the women of the Air Transport Auxiliary.

As well as numerous watering holes on the run, there are many places to eat at the finish.

The cost of the run only will be £6.00 per car. Separately, There is a discounted entry fee of £4.50 per adult at the Museum. There is a separate child's fee. This fee will need to be paid directly to the Museum on entry. Tell them you are with the Abingdon Works MG Run.

Traditionally, our St Georges Day Run is held on the closest Sunday to April 23rd. Because of the dates for the Easter period, the run takes place this year on Sunday 27th April. This falls on the Federation of British Historic Vehicle Club's Drive it Day when all classic owners are encouraged to get out and about.



This run is an excuse to get together with friends, have a leisurely bumble through scenic countryside and finish at an attraction that hopefully has something for everyone.

This year the route takes an arc over Oxford towards the West ending in Bourton on the Water. Here we have arranged to visit the Cotswold Motoring and Toy Museum. The run is purely for fun and is not a compulsory route. If you see a place of interest on the run, feel free to stop whenever and wherever you want. Even at the end location there is no obligation to have a set timetable. A meander through Bourton's many attractions could last for hours.

Our run is open to all classic car whatever the Marque. Whether it's a Morris or Morgan, a Reliant or Rolls (we have had a VW Campervan) each entrant will be given a warm welcome, a St George's flag to proudly fly, an easy to follow route book in the form of 'Tulip' diagrams, no hassle to rush off and plenty of new friends. We hope that you can join us!

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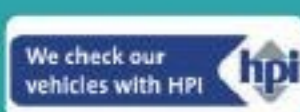


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Play-off hopes all but over after two losses

Didcot target positive end to campaign

JOINT manager Ian Concannon is targeting a winning end to the season as Didcot Town make the trip to Mangotsfield United on Saturday.

The Railwaymen enjoyed a 4-0 win over Thatcham Town on Easter Monday, ensuring Concannon and Jamie Heapy's men will finish no lower than 13th in Division One South and West.

However, 12th place is still within their grasp as they are only a point behind Wimborne Town.

Concannon said: "We have got to do our business first, and Wimborne have got to drop points at Shortwood, but we'll just focus on our last game of the season."

"We want to finish on a positive note and with a victory."

In the Hellenic Premier Division, Wantage Town are a point behind league leaders Ardley United, but have a game in hand.

If Gary Ackling's men beat Ascot United on Saturday and Abingdon Town on Monday they will be crowned champions.

Meanwhile, Andy Zoldan says he is "optimistic" Abingdon United will remain in the league after they secured fourth from bottom in the table.

City manage to avoid drop

OXFORD City have avoided relegation and will remain in the Conference North for next season, despite losing 2-1 to Brackley Town on Monday.

Darren Mullings gave City the lead on 53 minutes, but goals from Stefan Moore and Ryan Austin gave the Northamptonshire club the win.

It comes after City lost 2-1 against Hednesford last Saturday, despite Andy Ballard equalising just before the break.

City's Conference North status was confirmed as Histon lost 3-1 to Gainsborough, meaning the former are four points behind with just one match remaining.

As Vauxhall Motors have chosen to drop down a level voluntarily, it means there are just two relegation spots this season, with the other being filled by Workington.

City have lost their last five games, and will hope to end the season on a high when they host Bradford Park Avenue on Saturday.

OXFORD United head coach Gary Waddock says his players know what the future will hold if they continue to under perform.

Successive defeats over the Easter weekend have all but ended United's play-off hopes, with the Yellowbills trailing seventh-placed York by five points with two games remaining.

Good Friday's defeat to York was particularly influential as it saw the Minstermen climb above United in the table.

Easter Monday's 1-0 loss to league leaders Scunthorpe saw United fall further behind as York and sixth-placed Southend claimed victories at Bury and Accrington.

United welcome Accrington to the Kassam Stadium this Saturday for their last home game of the campaign, before making the short trip to relegation threatened Northampton, where they meet former manager Chris Wilder.

For Waddock, the last two games are about his players showing him what they are made of.

There are currently 13 players, including top scorer James Constable, in the first and development team whose deals expire

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this summer.

However, the club have the option to activate 12-month extensions to several players including captain Jake Wright, Sean Rigg, Sam Long, David Lynn and Josh Shama.

"They're playing for their futures," Waddock told the club.

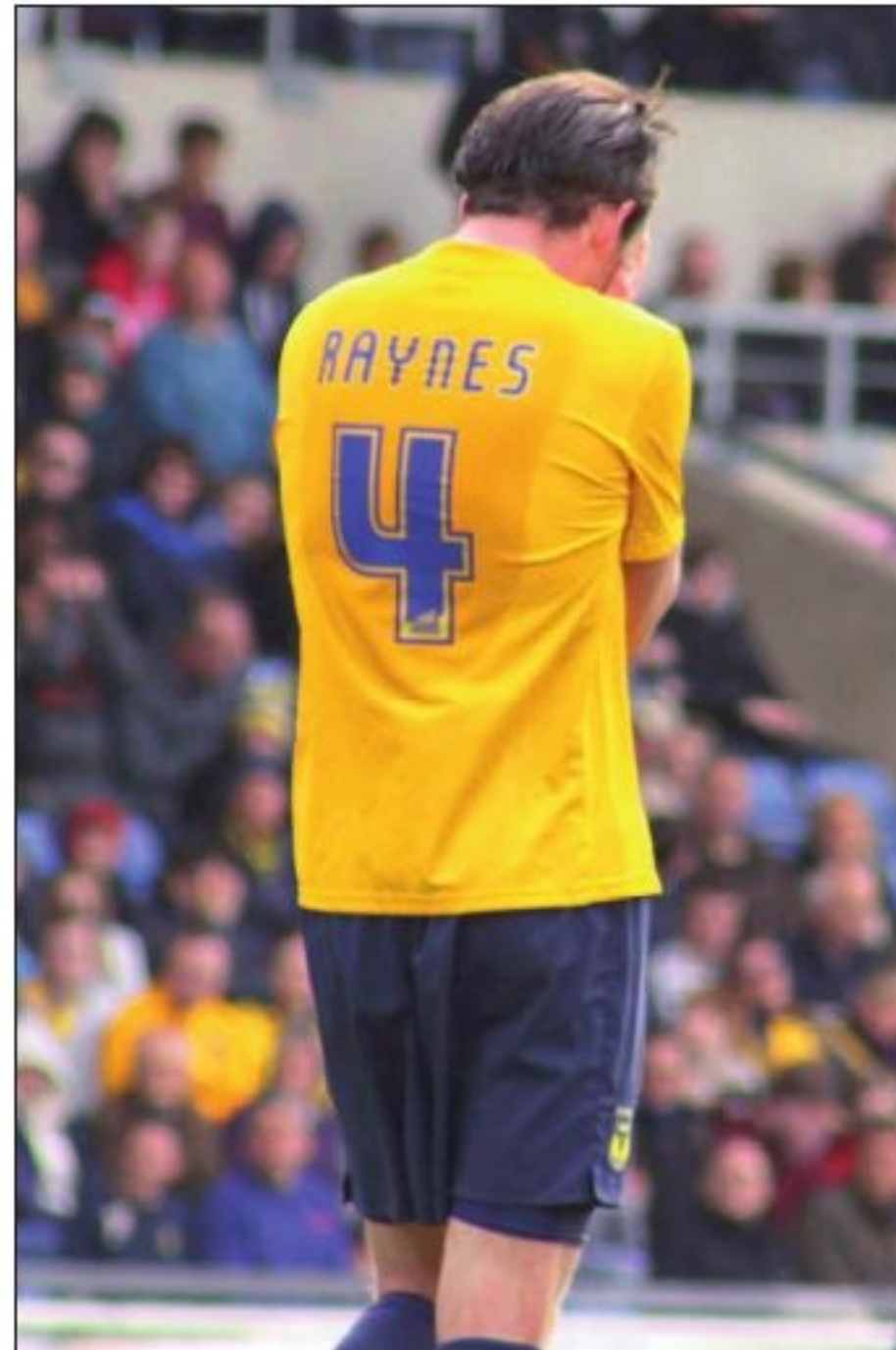
"If they want to be part of us going forward, they need to step up to the mark."

Midfielder Josh Ruffels, goalkeeper Ryan Clarke and youth player Josh Ashby are the only three to pen new deals so far.

Waddock added: "I've seen enough now."

"I'll try and tread a careful path with them because I know confidence is low but they knew at half-time (against Scunthorpe) how I felt and what's expected of them. If they don't perform, they know what the future holds."

• Michael Raynes, who is out of contract this summer, shows his frustration at missing a chance against York on Good Friday (Picture by Steve Daniels)



Exiles look to secure runners-up spot

LONDON Welsh head coach Justin Burnell says his team must "learn and move forwards", following their 25-21 defeat to Bristol last Saturday.

The result means Bristol are now guaranteed to finish

top of the Greene King IPA Championship table, while Welsh need to beat Nottingham this weekend to be sure of the runners-up spot.

Bristol opened up a 22-0 lead before the Exiles could reply, but the visitors rallied

to secure a losing bonus point thanks to two Joe Ajuwa tries and one from Chris Cook.

"We don't make excuses," said Burnell. "We lost the game and it's up to us now to rectify the errors."

"We defended too much, we

didn't use the ball well and when we did use it, it was a little bit too late. We have to learn from it and move forwards."

Nottingham marks Welsh's final game of the season, being held at Old Deer Park, on Saturday.



Plato moves into title lead at Donington

JASON Plato took his first British Touring Car Championship win of the season last Sunday, finishing ahead of team-mate Sam Tordoff in the first race at Donington Park.

His and Tordoff's positions were reversed in race two, before Plato came home sixth in the final race of the day.

It means the Oxford racer is now joint top of the standings after two events, level with reigning champion Andrew Jordan on 87 points.

Plato said: "It was a mega weekend for the team. It's so pleasing we've got a car working in the wet and now we're confident in all conditions."

"In the second race I got a good start initially, but then I

just hit the speed limiter but-ton by accident. It was only a split second but enough to let Sam by."

"The target is we've got to score a minimum of 40 points every weekend, and if we do that, we will win the championship."

"I think we're in a great position this year, and whoever wins it in 2014 will probably be the champion of champions."

The next event on the BTCC calendar takes place at the Hampshire circuit of Thruxton on May 4.

• Jason Plato took his first win at Donington since 2008 last Sunday (Picture courtesy of btcc.net)

Sport Bites

Eddie's woes

ABINGDON golfer Eddie Pepperell endured another difficult tournament in the European Tour last week, as he missed the cut for the Maybank Malaysian Open.

Pepperell carded rounds of 80 and 73 to finish nine shots over par, eight more than what he would have needed to qualify for the weekend.

He has failed to make the cut since the Qatar Masters in January, and will be hoping for better luck today at the Volvo China Open.

Revving up

FOLLOWING on from his best ever MotoGP finish last time out in Austin, Bradley Smith will be hoping for a repeat performance at this weekend's race in Argentina.

The track is new to the calendar for the 2014 season, and Smith will be confident after a strong start to the season that has seen him record a fifth-place finish and his first ever front row start.

"It's going to be a level playing field and who can set up his bike the best will win," said Smith.

Chinnor lose

CHINNOR will be hoping for a competitive showing in their season finale match at home to Exmouth this Saturday, after they lost 43-12 at Bishops Cleeve last Saturday.

The club is 14th in the SSE National League 2 South standings with 60 points, while Exmouth are bottom with 34.

Elsewhere, Henley Hawks will be hoping to continue their upturn in form as they prepare for their final SSE National League 1 match versus Tynedale on Saturday.

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Potential sixth-place result lost after a mix-up in the pitlane

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WILLIAMS Martini Racing were left frustrated after the Chinese Grand Prix last Sunday, after problems in the pit lane cost Felipe Massa the chance of solid points.

When Massa came in for his first pit stop, the mechanics had the rear tyres the wrong way round, causing a delay of almost a minute while the mistake was rectified, with the Brazilian finishing a lap down in 15th place.

But Valtteri Bottas was able to ensure that the weekend was not fruitless for Williams, as he finished seventh to earn six points despite not having telemetry throughout the course of the race.

Both drivers had been involved in incidents off the start as Massa collided with Fernando Alonso, while Bottas was hit by Nico Rosberg.

However neither suffered damage, and were able to continue.

Massa said: "There was a mistake at the first pit stop and that effectively lost me the race, as I came back out on track in last position."

"It is a frustrating situation and something we need to work on to make sure it doesn't happen again."

Bottas said: "It was a good race for me despite some hard contact

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at the start, which cost me a few positions.

"We made progress over the whole weekend. It's great to make steps forward and we are looking to do the same in Spain in three weeks' time."

Elsewhere, Lotus missed out on their first points of the season when Romain Grosjean was forced to retire from 10th place with a gearbox problem.

He said: "We started by losing fourth gear, but it got worse and essentially we lost all gears."

"It's the first time we've had a problem like this so we'll have to understand what happened."

Pastor Maldonado came 14th for the Enstone-based team, after struggling with the car for much of the weekend.

And Caterham's Kamui Kobayashi was denied his overtime on Marussia's Jules Bianchi on the last lap, after the chequered flag was shown two laps early, ending the race on lap 54 instead of the scheduled 56.

Bianchi was able to keep 17th position as a result, with Kobayashi 18th, Max Chilton for Marussia in 19th and Caterham's Marcus Ericsson in 20th.



• Felipe Massa's race was ruined by a pit stop problem (Picture courtesy of Williams Martini Racing)



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